

NATURAL GAS TARIFF



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Schedule No. D-RGCA-1

DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS UNIT
RESIDENTIAL GAS CORE AGGREGATION SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to residential service, including single family dwellings and single family living units which are individually metered, being served under the Core Aggregation Gas Transportation Program (Program) in all territory served by the Utility Distribution Business Unit (Utility).

AVAILABILITY: Available to residential service customer loads, aggregated in accordance with Rate Schedule No. AGCT-1 and as is administratively feasible for the Utility.

	<u>Total Rate</u>	<u>Tax Portion of Rate</u>	<u>Rate Without Tax</u>
RATES: Net Monthly Bill:			
Monthly Service Charge per Meter:	\$ 6.50		\$ 6.50
PLUS:			
Commodity Charges (Monthly \$/Therm)			
Distribution Charge	\$ 0.1879386	\$ 0.0727443	\$ 0.1151943
Transmission Charge	0.1826575	0.0463185	0.1363390
Storage Charge	0.0228757	0.0050856	0.0177901
DBU GTAC Amortization	0.0000539		0.0000539
TBU GTAC Amortization	0.0028316		0.0028316
Storage GTAC Amortization	0.0000000		0.0000000
Total	\$ 0.3963573	\$ 0.1241484	\$ 0.2722089

TAX PORTION OF RATE: This rate represents the amount charged to customers for state and local taxes and fees and is separately disclosed on customer's bill.

PLUS:

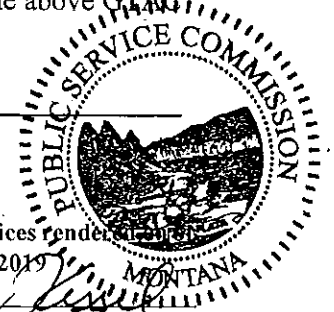
OTHER APPLICABLE CHARGES: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

LOW INCOME DISCOUNT: Customers of the Utility shall obtain a thirty percent (30%) discount during November 1st to April 30th from the above Regular Customer Rate(s) for residential usage, if they have satisfied the requirements for and are receiving energy assistance through the LIEAP program administered by the State of Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

DEFERRED GAS COST: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above Deferred Gas Cost Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

GAS TRANSPORTATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE: Pursuant to MPSC Order the above GTAG Amortization shall be in effect until the balance is extinguished.

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PAYMENT: Billed amounts shall be considered past due if not paid by the due date shown on the bill. Past due bills are subject to a late payment charge in accordance with the provisions of Rate Schedule No. SGS-1.

CHANGE IN SERVICE: Customer may opt to return to core sales service or change Suppliers, in accordance with Section 18.7 of Rate Schedule AGTC-1.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Definitions: The definitions of the principal terms used in this Rate Schedule are contained in Rule No. 1 and Rate Schedule AGTC-1.
2. Amortizations: For the initial term of any Agreement under this Rate Schedule, Customer's core rates shall include rate components that reflect the most recent balances associated with the Deferred Gas Cost Account Mechanism and the Gas Transportation Adjustment Clause Mechanism. These rate components shall include any net balances being amortized from the preceding 12-month activities and the net balances accruing in accordance with the current year's activities.
3. Multiple Residential Dwelling Units: Where the same building complex contains multiple residential dwelling units, each building shall be separately metered unless the building owner requests individual meters for each residential dwelling unit within the building(s). The term "building complex" is defined as a structure under one roof, or two or more connected structures under separate roofs throughout which there is general access by means of doors, elevators, stairways, enclosed passageways or continuous corridors; but sidewalks, driveways, breezeways, heating and utility tunnels, pipes or conduits are not considered enclosed passageways.
4. Nonresidential Uses: Where a portion of a residential dwelling unit is used for nonresidential purposes, such service shall be separately metered and billed as a general service customer. If installation of a separate meter is impractical, the predominate usage of the premise shall determine whether Customer is billed as a residential or general service customer.
5. Release of Customer Information: Utility shall provide Aggregator with twelve months of customer gas consumption, following the receipt of a customer-signed Authorization Form that properly identifies Customer's account(s).
6. Aggregation of Loads: Aggregation of loads served under this Rate Schedule with other loads shall not change the otherwise applicable rates for service under this Rate Schedule.

SERVICE AND RATES SUBJECT TO COMMISSION JURISDICTION: All rates and service conditions under this Rate Schedule are governed by the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of Montana and are subject to revision as the Commission may duly authorize in the exercise of its jurisdiction.

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